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Once a year we devote space to chronicling some of the recent notable missionary books. We do not claim that those thus chronicled are, in the ordinary sense of the word, "reviewed." This would involve discriminating study and careful comment on the faults and shortcomings as well as the excellences of the books described. Woman's Work does not accept advertisements from any publisher. Our notices are therefore entirely disinterested. We do not give space to books we can not recommend. Rather, a few are selected from a large number of interesting volumes and our readers are told by various writers why each one of these would be a valuable addition to a city, a church, an auxiliary or a private library.

Among these writers we are favored to include Mrs. Edgar D. Faries, Missionary Education Secretary of the Philadelphia Board; Miss Julia A. Wilson of the same Board; Rev. Stanley A. Hunter of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mrs. James M. Webb of the New York Board.

Our readers will remember that on his return from a tour in the East in 1912, Dr. T. H. P. Sailer, Educational Secretary of the Assembly's Board, gave us two articles on his *Impressions of the Education of Girls in the Levant.* Dr. Sailer was one of the official party to visit our stations in China, Siam, etc., during the last year, and made a careful study of the methods in use by our teaching missionaries. Some of the results of these studies he has embodied in his article in this issue on *Impressions of Missionary Education for Girls in the Far East.*

One of the really great personalities doing our Church's work abroad has been lost to us here by the going home in June of Mrs. Wm. M. (Annie L. Adams) Baird of Pyeng Yang, Chosen. Since she went out to that field twenty-six years ago, as a bride, each year has seen marvelous development in Mrs. Baird's Christian character and missionary ability. She was gifted by nature with great mental power, originality, wit and charm. She consecrated every talent to her Master's service. Mother of five children, she was called too the "Mother of a thousand Koreans," for she trained the women for Christian work, and helped them in their homes, taught Bible-classes, and was the invaluable helper of her husband in his important duties as principal of the Pyeng Yang Academy for Boys. In addition she translated valuable literature into the Korean language and wrote brilliantly both for magazines and, giving wisely and wittily the results of her own experience, in her book *Inside Views of Mission Life.* Those who heard Mrs. Baird speak at the Ecumenical Conference in 1900, at the Conference with Outgoing Missionaries in 1914, and on other notable occasions, can never forget her power with an audience. It is a mystery which we can not understand that such a woman should have had to endure unspeakable physical suffering for nine long years. In a letter to the Editor, from the steamer on which she was returning to Chosen in 1914, Mrs. Baird wrote: "I have undergone so many operations that I have lost count of them, there were certainly thirty or more. . . . It would take many pages to tell how 'wonderful His thoughts have been unto me and how great the sum of them.' Every step He has led me on, and oh! the joy it has been just to lie in His hands. . . . Often and often this summer at Northfield, as I felt the disease sweeping on, and knew that in all probability there was very little of time left for me, have I looked out of that little old kitchen window, past the tall pines and on up to the bit of blue sky,

and declared to Him, 'I will trust and not be afraid!' And I can truly say that I never was for one moment." Two years later, after every resource of science had been exhausted, by Mrs. Baird's own strong desire, she returned again to her home in Chosen, and it was there, among those whom she loved and for whom she had lived, that she fell asleep.

HOSEA BIGELOW'S wise advice, "Don't never prophesy unless you know," applies with special force to matters now in Mexico. Who can tell what the status of affairs between that country and our own will be by the time these lines, written July first, reach our readers? We can only give the definite information that our own missionaries are all on terms of friendship with all the Mexicans, that they fear no personal harm and are all safe up to this writing. A cablegram, signed by Dr. Wallace and Miss Wheeler on June 27th, was received via Galveston and said that Mr. Petran, Mr. Elliott, Miss Bergens and Mr. and Mrs. Brown had left Mexico City for Vera Cruz. Miss Bonine wired that she had been ordered out of Yucatan and was in Key West. She has been directed to come home and await further developments. Mrs. Wallace, in California, heard from her husband in Mexico City, that he had just paid ten dollars for a cup of coffee—not in American gold we fancy—that "the new currency was depreciating and they were rolling down the financial abyss about as fast as they could." Before the recent acute tension the Mexico Mission had urged the Board to send the new missionaries to the field at once, but it had even then been decided that conditions were too disturbed to permit of new missionaries being sent.

THE late ruler of China, Yuan Shih Kai, though not himself a Christian, was favorable to the Christian religion and approved of its progress in China. Among those interested in mission work the question has naturally arisen: What will be the attitude of his successor, Li Yuan Hung? The Rev. Dr. John E. Williams, Vice-President of Nanking University, now in this country, says that the new ruler is also a broad-minded and progressive man and will make no change in the Government's policy of religious toleration.

MANY of our readers will remember William Whiting Borden, whose eager young life closed here so suddenly while he was *en route* for China. His death and something of his character were mentioned in our issue for June, 1913. By his will he devoted fifty thousand dollars to evangelistic work in Latin America, Africa and Siam. As payments towards the total of this legacy are received by the Board they are to be allotted as follows: one-half to the Latin America Development Fund; of the remaining half two-thirds will go to the Siam Extension Fund and one-third to work in Africa.

MRS. MAGILL says that the greatest need now in Lucena, their Philippine field, is churches and chapels for their ever-increasing congregations. They have thirteen congregations and only seven churches left standing after the last typhoons. New towns too are calling for the Gospel. Crowds throng the services but these often have to be held in the street or in a vacant lot for lack of a chapel or house large and strong enough to hold the crowds who are willing to stand all through the service.

A MISSIONARY writes in *The Korea Mission Field* of recent date:

"We are holding a class here. As I teach the Gospel of life, I sit on the floor of the guest-house with my back against two shiny black coffins, piled one on the other. I felt tempted to sit on top but that might not have been polite. I am not sure of Korean etiquette concerning sitting on your host's coffins. These coffins are evidences of the filial piety of our host, who, according to Korean custom, prepared them, one for his aged mother and the other for his more aged 'great mother,' *i. e.*, his father's oldest brother's widow. The old ladies shift their gaze from the polished boxes to their dutiful son with proud and happy eyes!"

DON'TS

For the Prize Contest

Don't use more than three hundred words.

Don't write on both sides of your sheet of paper.

Don't forget that the point is to provide arguments to help in securing new subscribers in the Woman's-Work-Get-One Campaign.

Don't be afraid to be striking and picturesque in style. Catch the eye and the mind. It is easy to skip what is uninteresting, no matter how important it may be.

Don't fail to compete.

Don't be later than August fifteenth in mailing your advertisement for the October number.

Don't you want to buy your missionary a victrola, or a typewriter, or a camera, or a stereopticon? Ten dollars, or even five, would start the fund briskly.

School of the Presbyterian Prophets

The Nineteenth Annual Conference of the Board with its outgoing missionaries demonstrated once more the ever-increasing value and practical usefulness of this carefully planned gathering. Few realize the immense amount of detail involved in the preparation of a week of programs packed with informing and inspiring features, and in the fitting-in of countless private conferences and social features, so important in cultivating personal acquaintance and the spirit of friendship and *camaraderie*. The new candidates were brought to New York this year from the States of New York, Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, Iowa, Missouri, California, Wisconsin, Colorado, Indiana, Alabama, Washington, Michigan, Kansas, Nebraska, W. Virginia, Montana, Texas, S. Dakota, Arkansas, Maryland and from Canada. Some of them hailed from such distant homes as Japan, Siam, China, Ireland, India and Syria; these were not expressly imported for the occasion but were generally studying in this country. The traveling expenses of all are paid by the Board and they are entertained at the Bible Training School. Seventy-eight new missionaries are under appointment expecting to go out during the coming year; during last year ninety-one were added to the force which, deducting losses from death and resignation, showed a net gain of forty-five.

All the Secretaries and Assistant-Secretaries of the Board were in attendance and contributed to the programs. The President, Rev. Dr. George Alexander, conducted the opening session, but was not in constant attendance, as is his usual custom, as he was called away. The closing communion service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Wm. P. Merrill, a member of the Board, and was, as always, in quiet devotional spirit the climax of the week's spiritual hours. Each day's session was opened with a brief song service. The singing was led by Assistant-Secretary Reed and admirably accompanied by Mrs. Manning Lake, an accomplished organist who is going to Japan. The splendid volume of fresh young voices singing with the spirit and the understanding is always a deeply inspiring feature of the Conference. In the middle of the morning hours each day came a pause for devotion. These brief services were led by different members of the Foreign Board, Mr. Henry W. Hodge, Mr. Jas. M. Speers, Rev. Minot C. Morgan, etc. A half-hour of the second day was given to Miss Alice M. Davison to represent the organization of the Women's Boards and their relation to the women missionaries, and during this time the Editor was allowed the opportunity to introduce Woman's Work to them. Several of the presidents of the Boards were present at some of the sessions, Mrs. Pinney from San Francisco, Mrs. Williamson from Chicago, Miss Hodge from Philadelphia, Miss Davison of New York, and each of these took advantage of the opportunity to assemble her own missionaries for personal conference.

The strain of the week for those con-

ducting and those attending the Conference was somewhat lessened by the absence of the extreme heat which usually marks those days. There was much rain and at least one day was so cool as to require heat to be turned on—an unprecedented incident in mid-June. This interfered somewhat with the enjoyment of the sight-seeing motor ride arranged for the guests and of the afternoon visits and suppers at the suburban homes of Mr. Speer and Mr. Day. But it made more agreeable the pleasant informal luncheon given by Assistant-Secretaries Scott and Schell and the reception and dinner of the Presbyterian Union at the Hotel Savoy. On this occasion short greetings were given by a number of the new missionaries, and by several lately returned from their fields. Of these perhaps the one which will remain longest in the memory was Rev. W. M. Dager's brief narrative of experiences in W. Africa. Many pleasant personal attentions were shown the guests and one that will be a lasting reminder of the occasion was the gift from a nameless friend of a choice of a book for each, four notable ones being offered from which to select.

It would be manifestly impossible in our limited space to give any adequate idea of the inspiring addresses which filled every hour. Secretary Halsey spoke most tellingly on *The Motive and Message* and *The Board's Administration;* Secretary Brown gave masterly counsel on *The Attitude Towards Non-Christian Peoples* and *The Missionary's Relation to the Native Church* and *To His Associates;* Secretary White kept every fountain-pen busy as he spoke on *The Missionary's Aim and Method* and *Unity and Co-operation*, and all hearts were lifted up as Secretary Speer spoke on *Evangelism the Center of Missionary Work* and the missionary's *Loyalty to His Mission, His Board, His Christ.* No brief extracts could do even partial justice to these utterances.

One of the most valuable hours to the new worker is that in which the furloughed missionaries, each in but one or two minutes, give concrete bits of advice. We quote a few of these nuggets mined by personal experience, not so much for their interest to the missionaries—though one of those on the field wrote that she learned by heart all of those given two years ago—but to show to our readers at home what are the efforts and the standards of our missionaries.

MR. ERDMAN of Chosen: Look at this a year from now! After learning the language, when in conference always speak only in the language of the people; if you want to speak in English excuse yourself from the room to do so. Never forget to be courteous to your fellow-Christians, take time for the Oriental salutations. MISS GERTRUDE BIGELOW of Japan: If you have some peculiar theological tenet, not a fundamental, don't teach that first! You can believe something peculiar and keep still about it a great many years. Teach the fundamentals first. MISS FLORENCE BIGELOW: In keeping house you will find the local helpers willing but not so strong as Americans; much of this is attributable to the character of their food. Be considerate, don't expect too much. We seem very queer to them; teach them slowly, be patient. MISS HANNAN, Philippines: Be courteous, all Orientals are more courteous than we. Never forget your manners; guests are frequent, often more frequent than is convenient; with them and with your helpers, be polite all the time. MR. KEPLER, China: Pay attention from the first to the church services; at first you don't understand but don't let your mind form the habit of wandering. Take notes of words you don't understand, keep your mind fixed on what is said. Be large enough to realize the importance of work not your own. Realize too that the new missionary is expected to bring contributions to station life; bring with you lots of cheerfulness and zeal. MRS. KEPLER: If you don't know any "stunts" do learn some and be ready to perform them even if you don't do them well. Bring your share of fun and variety; don't be afraid of being laughed at or criticised. Don't talk about other people, of the mission or of the country, in English when

your household servants are present; they catch the name but not what you say, it often makes hard feeling. Mrs. Erdman, Chosen: Don't consider it impossible that you may break down physically, don't go to the utmost limit of your strength, take time for relaxation. No matter how you feel, in your home, in the streets, the shops, never show the smallest sign of irritation. Mr. Abbott, China: Learn, if you don't know, how to tell a good story; the Chinese greatly enjoy these, so do your fellow-workers; every station needs a Jester, don't mind being one! Keep alert the five senses; the sense of commission, "Mine the mighty ordination of the Pierced Hands;" the sense of God's presence; the sense of humor; common sense; the sense of touch sympathy. Miss Ward, Japan: Get rid of American roughness and aggressive energy; don't say or act "I've come to teach you;" never be too tired to give *heart* with your time; make friends, personal friends, begin the first day you are there; I am drawn back to Japan by the friends I left there; I expect to rejoice to meet them in heaven, not as "stars in my crown" but as those with whom I can have true fellowship. Mrs. White, Siam: Don't mind what happens the first year, remember the second year is coming! Then you will feel at home, you can talk, your point of view will have changed. Miss Morgan, Japan: Keep well. This depends on your own efforts; the English are far more sensible about open air and exercise than we are. Take some exercise *every day*. Miss Laible, Africa: Make a special friend of some experienced missionary right away, no new missionary worker knows how much the old ones make her. When you love the experienced ones you don't think their ways queer. Miss Mercer, Siam: Take time every day for Bible study and prayer, not only by yourself but with others. Dr. Agnes Murdoch, China: Temptations are fiercer out there; you can do more harm by a single loss of temper than you can undo by years of work. Miss Margaret Murdoch: Never lower your standards; the atmosphere of heathenism draws you down all the time, keep above it and draw up. Mrs. Lewis, China: Don't look for human appreciation, gratitude, or direct results, don't lose heart for lack of these. Learn the individual names, at first they all sound alike, but you can't pray for them intelligently until you know their names; learn the etiquette of the country. Dr. Williams, China: Really *learn* the language, speak *well!* This is possible. Dr. Lowrie, for instance, speaks better than the average Chinese; form yourself on the best speakers. Don't be jealous of success of others. Attach yourself to those workers who have the love and confidence of the people of the country. Miss Rollestone, China: Nobody likes to be called a "native." The people of the country are exceedingly discriminating, they "size you up" quickly; you can not make them think you are what you are not. Learn to be able to forget your work when you relax, learn to play; don't use your homes for meetings and classes, keep them as sweet relaxing places in which your spirit can be refreshed, . . learn to talk easily with other workers about the things which have helped your own spiritual life.

There was earnest and long-continued applause when Mr. Kepler stepped to the platform to say, "Thank God you are under *our* Board! I have met many workers of other churches, I know how fine they are, but for kindness and comprehension, for vision and faith, I see none like those under whom we work."

E. E.

[It is always part of the Conference program that the new missionaries should have one session by themselves. At their session this year they departed from the usual rule of a general resolution and appointed various members to write in behalf of the young people to the different speakers. It was a pleasure to receive from them the following note: —Editor.]

Mrs. Henry R. Elliot, Editor Woman's Work.

My Dear Mrs. Elliot: The newly appointed missionaries thank you for explaining to them the possibilities of the magazine in your charge. We assure you that we will not forget its work and trust that you will find this year's missionaries very helpful in making Woman's Work a success.

Very sincerely yours,

Helen M. Ott, for the committee.

THE NEW CRUSADERS

THEY go their brave and patient way
Among the wretched sons of pain.
They challenge all the powers that slay,
They raise the dead to life again.
Red is the blazon of their cross,—
These men who count their lives but loss.

Where scorching fever's deadly flame,
Burns life to ashes with its breath;
Where cruel throes of famine claim
Red toll of agony and death;
In days of toil, 'mid scenes of fear—
'Tis then they know their Lord is near.

To them, from tortured childish eyes,
Looks out the Lad of Nazareth.
They see Him where the beggar lies
And draws his labored, painful breath.
Where stand the stricken, hopeless bands,
'Tis Jesus stretches pleading hands.

Banished, the shapes of foul disease!
Unstopped the ears, the limbs set free!
The anguished hearts are now at ease;
The halt and blind now hear and see.
"Say! have ye done it unto these?
Then ye have done it unto Me!"

—*Rev. Dr. Hugh L. Burleson* in *The Spirit of Missions.*

Waterways and Jungle Paths

J. W. McKEAN, M. D.

VICISSITUDES of travel in non-Christian lands constitute a real handicap to the work of foreign missions. In many places transportation facilities have improved greatly since the days of the pioneer missionary, but in most countries primitive conditions still prevail.

One who today uses the convenient tram-cars of Bangkok can scarcely realize that thirty years ago there were no trains in the city and almost no streets. In those days business and social life of that great Venice of the Orient was carried on almost entirely in boats which threaded their way through the intricacies of numberless canals or traversed the broad bosom of the Chow Phya River, then the main thoroughfare of the city. The rising ocean tides reverse the current of the Chow Phya daily and were a great hindrance to travel, for in whichever direction one wished to go the tide was reasonably sure to be flowing in the opposite one. There were no power-boats at that time and the leisurely sculling of the Siamese boatmen made scarcely perceptible progress against the tide. Months and even years of missionary time have been spent in Siamese house-boats.

The up-river journey from Bangkok to the North Siam stations of Chiengmai, Lakon, Chiengrai, Prae and Nan has been a great consumer of time also. Not only the missionary but his equipment of household effects, food, clothing, books, hospital supplies, etc., is limited to river transportation. Until within very recent times the journey from Bangkok to Chiengmai has required from six to eight

weeks. Indeed on one occasion, Dr. Wilson and his party of new missionaries spent one hundred and five days in making this journey of some six hundred miles. At the present time the advent of the railroad is rapidly doing away with boat travel.

There being no public inns or other stopping places, the boat cabin, with its eight by twelve feet of floor space, is the home of the missionary and his family during these weeks as he passes up this swift river with its series of forty rapids and finally emerges into the fertile plains of the north. It is probable that since the inception of the North Siam Mission in 1867 at least a century and a half of missionary time has been spent in these small river-boats!

The journey affords small opportunity for any form of mission work save the night service with the boat crew. Occasionally a new missionary spends the time in language study or the older missionary engages in translating or other literary work. It is worth mentioning that many a honeymoon has been spent on this river trip, amidst Oriental and tropical surroundings which woo one with their enchantment, greatly enhancing the pleasure of that delightful period.

In spite of the danger of the rapids there has been no loss of missionary life and no serious loss of goods during the past forty-nine years. There have been many interesting experiences. The non-Christian boatmen make offerings to the spirits before entering the vortex of waters where the utmost skill is required to prevent the boat dashing against the rocks. Many a boat captain, however, has heard of a Higher Power who gives protection in times of danger. Only recently a certain captain recounted how Dr. Chalmers Martin, on his last down-river journey, thirty years ago, when the floods were at their height, after reading the account of Jesus stilling the waters, committed the boat and boatmen, the missionary and his family to Jehovah and how safely the dangerous passage was made. A missionary family with three small children while shooting the rapids were thrown upon the rocks. The boatmen ordered the passengers to jump for their lives. The mother, grasping her babe, sprung to a jutting rock and landed waist deep in the rushing torrent, bruised but safe. The others also escaped in safety.

In one of Dr. McGilvary's up-river journeys he left the boat for a climb to the top of a famous mountain, intending to return before night. Losing his way it was not until after dark that he reached his anxious family. Scarcely had he entered the boat in safety when a pair of fiery eyes were seen peering from the jungle in the very region from which he had come, doubtless the eyes of a Bengal tiger which had been following his trail and had almost overtaken him.

The country evangelistic work, journeys between stations, attendance at Annual Mission Meeting, village medical calls and the ordinary routine of daily travel all consume a vast amount of missionary time and energy. Now that Government roads are beginning to radiate from the cities of Siam the conditions of travel are improved. In many places the automobile would be a practical adjunct to mission work, would increase the output of work and prolong the missionary's life and usefulness.

One who has accompanied Dr. McGilvary on his tours of forty or fifty days comes to realize the handicap of travel. At the end of the ordinary march of fifteen to eighteen miles the weary party comes into camp in the heart of the jungle. The elephants express their joy by striking the ground with their trunks and emitting a special note of satisfaction. The tents are spread, cots prepared and the evening meal is eaten out of doors in the soft tropical twilight. Then comes evening worship. Many a carrier and helper who is now a Christian first heard the Gospel message at the evening service around the missionary's campfire. Morning comes. The hobbled elephants that have been feeding in the jungle are sought. Then comes the loading of the howdah with camp furniture, beds and bedding, food, cooking utensils, etc. As the pon-

derous creature moves out of camp he bears some resemblance to a loaded moving van on the first of May. The last bit of burden for the patient elephant is the missionary, who finds a comfortable seat inside the howdah where he may recline and read as he is carried over the mountains, across the numerous cooling brooks and through the jungles

All the stations of the North Siam Mission resulted from tours taken by Dr. McGilvary in this slow and laborious fashion. A missionary physician receives a telegram from a distant station, "Mrs. Y. very ill, come for counsel, ponies posted." With a light lunch in his saddlebags he is off at once on his faithful pony. Much of the road is a bridle-path over the mountains, crossing and recrossing mountain brooks scores of times, and clambering over boulders. In the jungle he finds a pony sent out to meet him and at a further stage another pony. Quickly changing the saddle from pony to pony he speeds on. Often this journey is during the rains, the roads are deep with mud, the streams are swollen, the mountain sides are slippery and dangerous, but the goal must be reached in spite of all obstacles. After a whole day or even longer of such forced marching he arrives worn and travel-stained to bring cheer and help to his missionary friends. Having been the recipient of such a visit as this, in a time of great need, the writer can speak with real fervor of the joy that comes into the home as the result of such a journey.

It is Sunday morning. The missionaries are off for the out-village preaching stations. The pony, the umbrella, the all-important saddlebags with their precious contents of Bible, hymn book and medicines on one side, a lunch, a teapot and a copy of one of the weekly religious journals in the other—this makes up the equipment. The way is long and hot. The rains are on. Innumerable irrigating ditches and streams must be crossed. Mud and mire lend interest if not comfort. The waiting Christian people welcome their friend and spiritual father. From village to village he goes, instructing, cheering, counseling, administering medicines.

Darkness finds the missionary still on the road, plodding towards home on his bedraggled and weary pony, who is only a bit more fatigued than his rider. It has been a day of rich experience and of high privilege and as a result the light in many a Christian heart and home will burn a little brighter.

IN his inspiring address to General Assembly in May, Dr. Robert E. Speer quoted in convincing argument the following extract from Dr. S. D. Gordon's *Quiet Talks on Service:*

The angel Gabriel and the Master are talking together. Gabriel is saying:

"Master, You died for the whole world down there, did You not?"

"Yes."

"And do they all know about it?"

"Oh, no! Only a few in Palestine know about it so far."

"Well, Master, what's Your plan? What have You done about telling the world that You died for them? What's Your plan?"

"Well," the Master is supposed to answer, "I asked Peter and James and John, and little Scotch Andrew, and some more of them down there, just to make it the business of their lives to tell others, and the others are to tell others, and still others, until the last man in the farthest circle has heard the story and has felt the thrilling and the thralling power of it."

And Gabriel answers, with a sort of hesitating reluctance, as though he could see difficulties in the working of the plan: "Yes, but—suppose Peter fails. Suppose after a while John simply does not tell others. Suppose their descendants, the successors away off in the first edge of the twentieth century, get so busy about things that they do not tell others—what then?"

And he is thinking of the difference to the man who hasn't been told—"what then?"

And back comes that quiet voice of Jesus: "Gabriel, I haven't made any other plans—I'm counting on them."

Some Notable Books

THE LIVING CHRIST FOR LATIN AMERICA

Politics, commerce, finance and religion are all bringing Latin America prominently to our attention and, as citizens of her most powerful neighbor in the family of nations, followers of the Master of us all, we can not afford not to have a sympathetic knowledge of her and her people. With apologies for using so trite a phrase, this is truly the "psychological moment" for the open-minded, thoroughgoing, generous-hearted study of our republican neighbors to the South. *The Living Christ for Latin America*, by Rev. J. H. McLean of Santiago, Chile, should be given a prominent place in all mission study programs for the coming winter. Where definite study of the book seems impracticable, it should be in the hands of all leaders for careful reading, reference and recommendation.

A well-known Latin American judge, at the recent Panama Congress, was asked what, in his opinion, were the principles and spirit of Christianity essential to meet the needs of Latin America to-day. His public reply was, "The divine teachings of the Sermon on the Mount conveyed in the same spirit of love and truth in which they fell from the lips of the Master." That *The Living Christ for Latin America* has been written in this spirit will be cordially conceded by each one who casually reads or earnestly studies this valuable book. It is of course specially designed to bring to Presbyterians an accurate knowledge of the various divisions of Latin America where mission work under the care of the Presbyterian Church has been established and to promote a better understanding of the people to whom Presbyterian missionaries minister. At the same time it would not be difficult to adapt the book to the use of students of other denominations desiring a better acquaintance with conditions in those twenty republics whose territory covers three-fifths of the Western Hemisphere and whose people number eighty millions. Of the seven chapters but one is strictly denominational. The sixth, *A Half-Century of Evangelism*, is "a tour of our Presbyterian fields and study of the work our representatives are doing, the problems they are facing and the opportunities that summon to larger endeavor."

The statement is frankly made that "after surveying this immense field any interested observer must conclude that the undertaking is too great for any single missionary agency. Our day is one of intelligent Christian effort, an era of co-operation." "At the Panama Congress a Continuation Committee was appointed and it will serve the purpose of a central advisory board for all evangelical agencies. There is no future peril from overlapping territory. Missionary econ-

Clinic patients waiting their turn at Louisa Y. Boyd Hospital, Tsinanfu, China. Photo. sent by Dr. Caroline S. Merwin.

omy and efficiency will be procured . . . unity and harmony will result and large plans be projected."

The vision revealed to the Panama Congress was that of "A Triumphant Christianity in Latin America" with "A Distinctive Type of Christian Discipleship," rich in spiritual qualities and power. Before this vision becomes a reality, Mr. McLean points out that there are many adversaries to be overcome, three of the most formidable perhaps being "clericalism, religious indifference and varied forms of rationalism." Latin American Christians must work alongside North American Christians for some years to come and "this involves delicate relationships and difficult combinations between the missionary and national leaders." Truly the task seems one of disconcerting magnitude as one thinks of the work that is being done and compares it with what must be done, and quickly, if vital Christianity is to have its place in the life of Latin America.

Logically, to get the best out of a book, one should begin at the beginning and not at the end; psychologically, in the case of this particular book, one can but feel that the process—for the reader, not for the author—should be reversed. Interest and zest in the study of the early chapters will be strengthened by a careful reading of the last, "Pan-American Brotherhood and Service." He will be an indifferent student indeed who, with the vision revealed in those last pages and with the summons to Christian work ringing from those last sentences, does not turn eagerly to the beginning—to the very preface. There is a fund of information in those first three chapters and their careful study will furnish one with up-to-date knowledge, topographical, ethnological, political, economic, educational, social and religious of these lands to the south of us to which by natural ties we are so closely related.

"Can Latin America be regarded as legitimate field for evangelical missions?" is the question asked at the opening of the chapter on "Latin America, a Mission Field." Thoroughly, logically, with just regard for all the valuable contributions made by the Roman Catholic Church, the author comes to his affirmative answer in the last sentence, "Those who know Latin America best and those who love it most regard it as one of the great fields for evangelical missions."

The study of *The Living Christ for Latin America* can not fail to inspire in each student a definite purpose to have his share through prayer, gifts and service in taking "The Living Christ *to* Latin America."

(*Mrs. James A., Jr.*) *Nellie S. Webb.*

Mary Slessor of Calabar, by W. P. Livingstone. Geo. H. Doran Co., New York. Price $1.50. Before Mary Slessor died she was urged to write her autobiography. She was astonished at this proposal and asked what she had done to merit the distinction of being put in a book. The only book that could surpass in interest Mr. Livingstone's chronicle of her life-work would have been that autobiography if she had written it, for she was herself such a living example of her own thought that "argument and theory had no effect in arousing interest in missionary enterprise; the only means of setting the heart on fire was the magnetism of personal touch and example."

That a poor, plain, fragile little Scotch factory girl should have been led step by step along a path in which she became pioneer, discoverer, preacher and teacher, linguist, diplomatist and judge, carpenter and builder, nurse and doctor, an enlightener and leader not only of individuals but of whole tribes, is one of the profound mysteries of the Spirit. This wonderful leading can be explained only by her own complete self-abnegation, her absolute giving up of the personal and the individual, her utter devotion of herself to be used as a tool in God's hands.

There is a singular reminder throughout the biography of Livingstone. The Scotch woman had in her no less than the Scotchman, the elements that go to the making of a great missionary, the tenacity

of conviction, the mentality of close fibre, yet shot through with ready humor and warm feeling, the high courage without the least hint of pose, the unyielding determination to "go anywhere so it be forward," the implacable resolution that held on through incredible struggle and difficulty. From the days when, after working long hours as a weaver, she never missed a meeting in her church, and did valuable social and spiritual work in its service, to the years when, long after she was sixty and so shattered physically that she could only go about wheeled in a "Cape chair," she still undertook new work and developed new fields, these elements were constantly shown.

Yaunde men carrying an Ivory. From *Black Sheep*.

These hints of the character of Miss Slessor make what we read of her life somewhat less incredible than it would otherwise be. She went out under the Women's Foreign Missionary Committee of the United Free Church of Scotland, in 1876, to Calabar, one of the most unhealthy spots in the world, where the natives were considered the most degraded of any in Africa, "the slum-dweller of negro land." Careful observers described them as "bloody, cruel, treacherous, sensual, cannibals, etc." On her steamer was a cargo of casks of liquor for the West Coast. "Scores of casks," she exclaimed, "but only one missionary!" She found "a land formless, mysterious, terrible, ruled by witchcraft and the terrorism of secret societies; where the skull was worshiped and blood-sacrifices offered; where guilt was decided by ordeal of poison and boiling oil; where scores were murdered when a chief died and his wives were strangled to keep him company in the spirit land; where the alligators were satiated with human flesh; where twins were invariably murdered and the mothers turned out into the bush to die." She found living standards those of animals; she lived among filth, pestilential odors, wild animals and the worse horrors of degraded human life. Of some of the scenes she witnessed she said, "Had I not felt my Saviour close beside me I should have lost my reason." When at home she heard shallow people talk of the innocence of man in his natural state she would tell them to live for a month in a West African harem! Often "her only accommodation was a mud hut and her only bed a bundle of filthy rags." Often she slept among "goats, fowls, cats, rats, cockroaches and centipedes." She was often attacked by fever and terribly weakening malaria was chronic. She saw buried alive with one dead chief "eight slave men, eight slave women, ten girls, ten boys, and four free wives." All drank and often "she lay down to rest knowing that not a sober man and hardly a sober woman was within miles of her." She gradually acquired influence and authority. She saved countless lives, at least fifty-one twins whom she could count, nursing the most loathsome diseases with patience, always cheerful and full of fun. Nothing daunted her. Once she stood between two tribes ready to fight, ordered each to pile their guns on opposite sides of her till the heaps were as high as her head, and then sent the men home. She journeyed through forests swarming with leopards. "I did not use to believe the story of Daniel in the lions' den," she said, "until I had to take some of these awful marches, and then I knew it was true and that it was written for my comfort. Many a time I walked along praying, 'O God of Daniel, shut their

mouths!' and He did." If she had native companions she would make them sing. She said, "If ye ken what their singing is like ye ken it would frighten ony decent, respectable leopard!"

She created public opinion, established laws, protected the weak. She excelled the natives in the use of their own tongue. She ignored self, went short-haired, hatless and barefoot, ate native food, deemed all things but naught in her passion to make Christ known. Love came to her but she put it by. The Mission did not approve of her lover, Mr. Morrison, one of their teachers, joining her at Okoyong. "I could not leave my work," she said, "for such a reason. . . If God does not send him to Okoyong then he must do his work and I must do mine where we have been placed." In time she could say, "Raiding, plundering, stealing slaves have almost ceased. . . . It seems almost miraculous that hordes of armed, drunken, passion-swayed men should give heed to a woman. . . but such was the case." Going through epidemics of small-pox she vaccinated hundreds, nursed the sick and when a chief who was one of her converts died, alone she made a coffin, placed his body in it, dug a grave and buried him. Yet she could say that her life was "an exhilaration of constant joy. I can not fancy anything to surpass it on earth." Those who have no time to study the Bible should look at the photograph of one of many which Miss Slessor was constantly annotating as she read and studied.

For the results of her work, the honors paid her by her country, the rounding-out of her life, we must refer our readers to the book. We wish for space to quote a hundred vitally interesting stories and utterances. But no one who cares for missions can afford to miss reading and rereading this chronicle of a great, vivid, intense personality wholly given to the Master. *E. E.*

Black Sheep. Adventures in West Africa, by Jean Kenyon Mackenzie. Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, Mass. $1.50.

It is probable that few of the readers of Woman's Work need to be introduced to this record of work and life in our West Africa mission. More than one of the letters home written by Miss Mackenzie during her almost ten years in Africa were printed in this magazine. They are just as delightful in the rereading as they were at the first. In the informal and intimate fashion of family letters they chronicle the little day-by-day happenings and impressions and so give a far more alive and vivid picture of the missionary's life than would be obtained from a consecutive history. In her preface Miss Mackenzie gives a brief summary of Presbyterian effort and accomplishment in West Africa. Those to whom she wrote knew all of this, knew too all that came to headquarters in statistics and reports. So when she came in, hot and tired from school work, footsore and weary from long walking, wet from the tropical storm in the forest, with her pen she talked with her home people and was rested.

And the pen had a magic gift of putting down deep and true sentiment, sparkling and effervescent wit and fun, palpitating human interest. We are touched with deep emotion even while we laugh. One doesn't want to write about pages which are themselves begging to be quoted. Let us give glimpses here and there of what all will want to read for themselves. Over and over again, as in Miss Slessor's records, we see the African forest. "The green light was shot with the sharp glitter of wet leaves and shattered with spears of sunlight. The walk home was all beauty. . . The forest gleamed and flashed with color." "By eight o'clock we were off into the forest. Some light rain of golden day filtered down into the dusk of that green descent, and the birds sang for Siegfried! We were out of the dusk and on the evil path by noon, forest-weary and forest-wise—wise with that wordless wisdom that comes from actual physical grapple with the earth."

Of polygamy: "Very happy were our

little girls till we fell under the curse of the marriage palaver. One girl was sold to a man owning several wives. When it came to delivery of the goods, the goods became animated in dissent — not, indeed, that consent had been asked of the goods. The station backed the girl. News of the defiance of good Ngumba custom penetrated to the ends of the earth and awakened a thousand anxieties. The social fabric was imperiled. Two of the little schoolgirls were led away weeping by canny male relatives. One little girl was ordered home where her father is hunting goods to buy a new wife, upon whose purchase he means to give the little girl in part payment." "I saw the bitter end of a marriage palaver today. Mbinawon hated to marry the man who was buying her—a terrible heathen. Moreover she had another in mind, who is of her own generation, a Christian with no other wife. But Mbinawon's father couldn't collect the goods which had been paid him for her and he was in a fine box. Today he followed the only course open to him—he gave over another daughter, Dada, a child of something like seven—ugly at all times and today, under a tissue paper hat, ugly as a gargoyle. Her poor little stomach stuck out under a Mother Hubbard dress; her whole little body was rigid with fear. All her relatives howled with anguish at her departure, and Dada howled too—it was dreadful. Poor, little, wretched Dada!"

Bulu Children. From *Black Sheep.*

One wonders a little whether at some points Miss Mackenzie does not read into her interpretations of the African mentality some of her own Scotch subtlety of intellect. Perhaps she does and perhaps again our eyes are holden to the deep things of the Spirit that we do not see. But while we read she takes us with her with entire conviction. And we wish that she would go on writing books with such delightful touches as these: "When they could not bear to have Mrs. Lehman leave, she explained, 'I must go home to my three children in my house.' This explanation spread from man to man, and gratified everyone. 'Aha! she has three children. She goes to her three children!' And they were all as pleased as Roosevelt would be." "Bitum is in the trousers I helped him make, and in no shirt at all if you insist on immediate delivery, for he is washing his shirt today. . . . He came to me this morning with a most virtuous air; he was going to wash his shirt. 'Good!' cried I, with enthusiasm. But where, he begged to know, was he going to get soap? I suppose this appears to you fair enough, but there is a root of evil. I asked Mrs. Lehman, 'Mayn't I give him soap just this once?' 'Well, if you do, tell him he is not to have it again; that he is to buy soap out of his wages.' I looked at Mrs. Lehman and wondered. Did she forget her own first struggles with the Bulu language?"

Bitum arrives on the porch after dark

in a great hurry. "I supposed him to have arrived on an errand of great importance. 'What do you hunt?' asked I. 'My hat,' said he, 'I hate to sleep far away from my hat. My hat and I, we sleep in one place.' So off he went in the moonlight with his atrocious hat under his arm." "Here is Abesola in a new cloth, the first real cloth I ever saw him wear; 'tis the beautiful fruit of his labors; for this cloth he dug long in the earth and cut weeds of misty mornings. A white cloth with a pale blue flower—covering Abesola from his head to his heels. Abesola casts down his eyes and smirks and I know how he feels, for I have pretty clothes of my own."

We must not spoil the book for our readers by giving a bit here and there. They will all want to own it themselves and put it on the shelf with some of their choicest literary treasures. *E. E.*

World Missions and World Peace. Committee on United Study of Foreign Missions.

THOSE familiar with the books of Caroline Atwater Mason will welcome this new volume from her gifted pen. Call to mind the influence swayed over thousands of American women by *The Little Green God*, and then realize that this present book is much more far-reaching.

It is the textbook issued by the Central Committee on the United Study of Foreign Missions for this year, and is written with a two-fold purpose: first, to study the Kingdom of Christ as a Kingdom of Peace, and, second, to study Christ's conquest of the world. The argument that the missionary enterprise is a moral equivalent of war is well worth bringing to the minds of all Christian people at this time when one needs to be steeped in the teachings of Christ as related to war and peace; and a study of Christ's conquest of Europe forms a good historical background for the study of Latin America, the field upon which we Presbyterians are urged to concentrate for this year. For these reasons every group studying our new Presbyterian textbook, *The Living Christ for Latin America*, by Rev. J. H. McLean, should use a copy of Mrs. Mason's book for reference material.

With *World Missions and World Peace* we look back over the years and find that some of the very practices which precipitated the Reformation are paralleled in the dominant religion of Latin America today, and as we stand aghast at the dire need of our nearest neighbor we can only ask ourselves, "Are we honest toward God?" An analysis of the Reformation and the rise of the Protestant religion leads us to pray that the Renaissance, which will surely sweep like a cloudburst over Latin America, may be wrought through the manifestation of the Spirit, and that America, North and South, may show to the world that nothing but the actual presence of the Living Christ can truly conquer the world.

By *World Missions and World Peace* those splendid reformers of the sixteenth century are brought to our remembrance and we pray for such leaders to be raised up among Latin American Christians, and also that the Church may profit by the facts of history and make no such

Bridge over Lotus Lake at the Summer Palace in Peking, China.

compromise with politics as has led Christian nations into war with each other. *World Missions and World Peace* teaches immediate obedience to the great Commission. During the first three centuries of the life of the Church the missionary spirit burned with a holy fire at red-heat and Christ's teachings were unclouded by worldly ambition. Back to Christ himself America must go, to learn of Him the laws of His Kingdom so that she may teach them to the world, and lo, before our eyes, may the nations of Latin America rise to be not only nominally but truly Christian nations!

Elizabeth Gerhart Faries.
(*Mrs. Edgar D.*)
PHILADELPHIA.

Modern Movements Among Moslems, by Rev. Samuel Graham Wilson, D. D. F. H. Revell Co., New York. $1.50.

DR. WILSON has spent thirty years of study and labor in the East, coming into close contact with all phases of Moslem life. This prolonged experience gives him unique insight into the remarkable movements which have led to the present strange and critical situation in the Moslem world.

A typical Persian. Photo. given by Miss Helen T. Grove.

Our ideas are being rudely revised in these modern days. The favorite notion of "the unchanging East" turns out to be largely a delusion of distance. Weighty authorities assure us that Islam is incapable of alteration or progress; yet history shows that Moslem faith and practice of the present day differ as much from the precepts of Mohammed as modern Roman Catholicism does from primitive Christianity; and moreover that sects are as numerous and as antagonistic in Islam as in Protestantism.

The study of these changes is full of instruction; but for most readers the vital interest of the book will center in the chapters which deal with our own day.

The nineteenth century was marked by a wonderful renewal of religious zeal among Moslems. The Wahabi movement had a powerful effect in arousing a spirit of fanatical reaction against the growing influence of European civilization. Other leaders have arisen — the Mahdi of the Sudan; the pseudo-Messiah, Ahmad of India; the Bab and his successor, Baha Ullah, in Persia, and many lesser lights, who may be classed as the Eddys and Dowies of Islam—each claiming divine inspiration and vainly promising new heavens and a new earth. In Africa the remarkable advance of recent years is due largely to the activities of the Sanusiyah and other Dervish orders. All these shifting and often conflicting movements may be comprised under what is loosely known as Pan-Islamism—a determined effort to unite all Moslems for the support of Islam.

A vigorous propaganda has organized foreign missionary societies, with "conferences," "regional congresses" and

traveling deputations to further the interests of Islam. A mission recently sent to Japan was vastly encouraged by gaining several converts of high position. In China, Russia and South America, energetic agents are working. Coincident with this revival of zeal were the frightful massacres of Christians throughout the century, culminating in the atrocities of our own day, which will forever blacken the memory of the Turkish Government. The *jihad* or Holy War, proclaimed with such ceremony in Constantinople and Jerusalem, failed to arouse the Moslem World, but wherever Turkish power reaches the war is waged with all the old-time cruelty and fanaticism and with the set purpose of wiping out Christianity in Turkey. The fortunes of war still hang in the balance, but whatever result the fateful days to come may bring, there is but one duty for Christians. "A revised Islam, newly incited by the spirit of Mohammed, must be met by a revived Church, inspired by the Spirit of Christ."

PHILADELPHIA. (*Miss*) *Julia A. Wilson.*

Some of the Moslem boys in the Memorial School at Tabriz, Persia. Photo. given by Miss Grove.

Childhood in the Moslem World, by S. M. Zwemer, F.R.G.S. F. H. Revell Co. $2.00. Eighty millions of Moslem children are still outside of the touch of Christianity. Dr. Zwemer writes of them with an intimate knowledge of all that is good and bad in their surroundings and with a keen human sympathy for the little lives so lacking in all that we think of importance for our children. He says: "Moslem childhood does not last long. The whole system of Islam as it concerns family life and the treatment of women and children is vile and revolting; and where in certain parts of the world civilization has crowded out these semi-barbarous customs and elevated womanhood, it has been in defiance of the religious teaching of the Prophet himself." The social atmosphere into which the innocent little life is born is religious yet saturated with immorality. While this book may not be given to children to read, there is much in it for the mother who wants to teach her children of the necessity of mission work. From the forty full-page illustrations show them the babies of Java making mats, the crowded looms at which they weave rugs in Turkey; then the happy faces at the Swedish school for Moslem girls at Port Said. Tell them of the leper boy; of the abandoned children in the burial ground; of the babies thrust alive into the refuse heap. Read yourself the pregnant words of Mrs. Burnett at the beginning: "One generation, one entire generation of all the world of children *understood* as they should be, loved as they ask to be, and so developed as they might be, would more than begin the millennium."

E. E.

Children's Missionary Story Sermons, by Hugh T. Kerr, D.D. 218 pages. Fleming H. Revell Co. $1.00.

NOT only will Sunday-school superintendents who make a practice of telling a story of missionary interest each Sunday from the platform find much of interest in Dr. Kerr's recent volume but also parents who are sometimes at a loss for a "bed-time" tale or for something to read their children on Sunday afternoons. A master at the art of preaching to children has gathered together fifty-four stories grouped around interesting incidents in the careers of great missionaries of nearly all fields. The incident usually attracts the attention and serves as an introduction to the lifework of a missionary leader. The Bible lost at sea and picked up by a Japanese commander who becomes the first Protestant Christian in Japan; the prison pillow of Adoniram Judson—these are examples. Crawford, Sherwood Eddy and Dr. Grenfell are among the contemporaries who furnish stories. Readers of WOMAN'S WORK will be glad to see that their friend, Miss Charlotte Hawes of Wei-hsien figures in *The Kitchen God*. She is the missionary supported by Dr. Kerr's large Presbyterian church in Pittsburgh.

These stories will doubtless encourage children to read for themselves in the biographies of the missionary leaders to which reference is made. Sunday-schools which now have no systematic missionary instruction might welcome a member of the woman's missionary society week by week who would retell one of these stories.

PITTSBURGH. (*Rev.*) *Stanley A. Hunter.*

CHANGES IN THE MISSIONARY FORCE

ARRIVALS:

At Vancouver, April 8.—Mrs. G. S. Forman, from India. Address, 7 Kensington Road, Edgewood, Providence, R. I.

At New York, June 2.—Miss Ella Kuhl, from S. Brazil. Address, Ringoes, N. J.

At Vancouver, June 3.—Dr. Alice Mitchell of Landour, India. Address, Dewittville, N. Y., until Oct. 15. After that 606 W. 115th St., New York City.

At San Francisco, June 8.—Rev. and Mrs. A. G. Welbon of Chosen. Address, 731 S. Birch St., Santa Ana, Cal.

At New York, June 9:

Rev and Mrs. W. M. Dager, from W. Africa. Address, Sanitarium, Clifton Springs, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Krug of W. Africa. Address, 71 Francis St., Waltham, Mass.

Miss Hilda Laible of W. Africa. Address, care Mrs. W. C. Johnston, 135 Duncan Ave., Washington, Pa.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Reis, Jr., of W. Africa. Address, care D. A. Reis, 1736 Baltimore Ave., Cincinnati, O.

Dr. and Mrs. F. R. Senska of W. Africa. Address, Eldora, Ia.

At New York, June 15.—Dr. Chas. E. Vail of W. India. Address, 141 Second Ave., Newark, N. J.

——, ——.—Rev. and Mrs. Welling T. Cook of Chosen. Address, Wyalusing, Pa.

——, June 26.—Dr. H. W. Langheim, from the Philippines.

At Seattle, July 3.—Rev. and Mrs. Harry A. Rhodes, from Chosen. Address, Grove City, Pa.

——,——.—Rev. and Mrs. Norman C. Whittemore, from Chosen.

DEPARTURES:

From Vancouver, June 15.—Mrs. James B. Neal, returning to Shantung.

From New York, June 27.—Miss Jean Stoner, to join the Brazil Mission.

From Vancouver, June 29.—Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Kenoyer, to join the N. India Mission.

MARRIAGES:

——.—Miss Mabel R. Hoy of the Hunan Mission and Mr. Kiser.

At Changsha, China, June 7.—Miss K. H. Van Wagenen of the Hunan Mission and Mr. Sten Bugge.

RETIRED:

Miss K. Anna Gibbons of the Japan Mission. Appointed 1902.

Rev. M. W. Greenfield of the Chosen Mission. Appointed 1907.

Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Marshall of the S. China Mission. Appointed 1895.

RESIGNATIONS:

Miss Grace L. Davis of the Chosen Mission. Appointed 1909.

Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Short of the Central Brazil Mission. Appointed 1915.

Miss Mary E. Lee of the Central China Mission. Appointed 1912.

DEATH:

At Pyeng Yang, Chosen, June 9.—Mrs. W. M. Baird of the Chosen Mission. Appointed 1890.

Impressions of Missionary Education for Girls in the Far East

T. H. P. SAILER, PH.D.

ONE of the first impressions that one gains from contact with education in the Far East is the relatively large opportunity for Christian education for women. The Oriental Governments are not proposing to educate their women on any such scale as does Christian America. In Japan the number of girls attending the six-year elementary schools is almost as great as that of the boys, but in secondary education there are more than twice as many boys as girls, and beyond this provisions for education are very scanty indeed. An interesting college for girls has been opened in Tokyo by Mr. Naruse, an educator with broad views. This seems to be about the only non-missionary institution in any way corresponding to our American colleges for women. For Korean girls the Japanese Government does not propose to offer more than eight years of elementary schooling. In China practically the only Government education for women above the elementary grade is that given in normal schools. How different this is from conditions in America, where the number of girls in secondary schools is greater than that of boys, and where we have about eighty thousand women in universities and colleges! In education for boys and men missionaries are sometimes hampered by Government competition, but measured by American standards the field for the higher education of women is almost untouched.

The fact that American women have this opportunity to be pioneers in higher education lays a heavy responsibility upon them to establish the kind of educa-

tion that is most needed. The problem is not merely to run a pipe-line to the great reservoir of Western academic knowledge, from which to fill the pitchers of our Oriental sisters to the brim, but to help them to assimilate for effective use the experience of both East and West that will fit them for the most fruitful Christian influence. The life they have to live is very different from that of the average American girl, and the training must be correspondingly different. Woman in the East has taken no such position in society as has relatively recently become hers in the West. Teachers are greatly in demand, but such an army as we have in America will never be possible until Oriental boys acquire the deference for women which American boys learn from their cradles. Economic pressure would seem to make the employment of women on a large scale ultimately inevitable, but as yet the occupations have not arisen which demand the services of so many of our high school and college graduates at home. Leadership in social and civic life is not open to women. Miss Tsuda told me that popular opinion in Japan would not tolerate a society of women except for purposes of charity. The situation that we face is strikingly different and must be treated accordingly.

One cannot help feeling that not enough allowance has been made for this by the missionaries who are setting up colleges for women in the Far East. The type of curriculum is too much like that of the more traditional institutions of this country. The Japanese conception of education for women reminds one of the German four K's (*Kirche*, *Küche*, *Kinder*, and *Kleider*—church, kitchen, children, and clothes). The main vocation of women is to be mothers of a military nation. Flunking is bad for nerves and I was told that therefore teachers are instructed to avoid this as much as possible (shades of Bryn Mawr!). Great stress is laid on domestic science.

There is danger lest missionary education should go to the other extreme. A broader culture is so manifestly needed that it is easy to over-emphasize it, especially when the models with which one is most familiar have made the same mistake. We must think first of the product we wish to create, and what are the main contributions that education will help Oriental women to make?

1. *Better homes.* Home-making is more than housekeeping. The physical side of the home surely needs apostles in a land like China. The intellectual, social and spiritual sides need apostles all over the East. Women must be made more truly companions of their husbands, qualified to command the intellectual as well as the filial respect of their children, and to train them in character formation.

2. *Better schools.* There is a large and increasing place for the Christian teacher even if the prospect that America offers is very far distant. We need teachers who can teach, who are able to do more than hold the book and ask questions from it, who can be remembered for their personal influence and not merely for their knowledge. The waste that results from poor teaching in the Orient is something enormous.

3. *Better communities.* There is arising in some sections at least a place for Christian workers of a higher grade than the old-fashioned Biblewomen, persons more of the type of pastors' assistant in this country. Such women would help greatly in uplifting community life.

The traditional college course is not well adjusted to produce this product, even in America; much less in China. We need a curriculum that shall systematically take up the problems of the family, the school and the community life as it exists, instead of presenting material so much in the abstract. This will demand much more real thinking and adaptation than the traditional methods but will be much more worth while. We shall retain all the cultural elements that are most valuable and sift out only the more formal material. Some encouraging work has already been done along these lines. Here is truly the ground that we must occupy and fortify if the Christian education of women is to make its largest contribution to the missionary enterprise.

HOME DEPARTMENT

A RESULT OF THE CHICAGO CONFERENCE

Mrs. William E. Waters

After months of correspondence between the different Boards which left many recommendations from the Chicago Conference still undecided, it was resolved to call a meeting of the General Committee to secure if possible final decisions on these recommendations.

The formation of this committee to consider matters of interest to the Women's Boards of Home and Foreign Missions and to consist of representatives of these Boards, had been approved by all the Women's Boards. Its first meeting, held on June 5th, in the committee room of the Woman's Board of Home Missions at 156 Fifth Avenue, must be recognized as one of the most important results of the Chicago Conference. Those present at the meeting were, from the Woman's Board of Home Missions, Mrs. F. S. Bennett, Miss Hyatt, Mrs. J. E. McAfee, Mrs. E. K. Hopper, Mrs. H. C. Louderbough, Miss Quinlan; and from the Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, Mrs. L. M. Coy, Chicago; Mrs. H. B. Pinney, San Francisco; Mrs. Patterson Bain, St. Louis; Miss Hodge, Philadelphia; Miss Alice M. Davison and Mrs. W. E. Waters, New York. The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. Bennett, president of the Woman's Board of Home Missions. On motion, Mrs. Coy, as chairman of the Central Committee of the Women's Boards of Foreign Missions, acted as chairman and Miss Quinlan served as secretary.

The morning session was devoted to the discussion of recommendations concerning Young People's Work, Missionary Education, Yearbooks of Prayer, the Magazines and items of general interest, while the afternoon was occupied with the details of organization of the General Committee.

Previous to the meeting of this committee there had been a preliminary meeting on June 3d of representatives of the Foreign Boards. This meeting and the sessions of the General Committee were marked by much unanimity of opinion and it is hoped that in the early fall the final results of this meeting and of the Chicago Conference may be made known to the whole constituency. However, the recommendations from this meeting are referred back to the Boards; for, in spite of delay, nothing can be done in matters of such importance without the concurrence of all the Boards concerned and it must be clearly understood that *no recommendations from the meeting of June 5th can go into effect until ratified by all the Boards.*

Days and nights of labor, a great volume of correspondence and of prayer have been devoted to the work of the Chicago Conference, whose first notable result is this meeting on June 5th of the General Committee, a committee which it is believed will be of great value in all the varied departments of the "Home Base" as related to the work of Presbyterian women for missions at home and on the foreign field.

JOYS OF THE HOMEWORKER'S SERVICE

Mrs. Edward G. Read

How prone we all are to look backward or forward for our joys! Apart from the tangle of daily occurrences past joys loom large and luminous through the vista of time and in the future we can picture only desirable setting for our anticipated happiness.

The actual joys of today we overlook, tucked away as they sometimes are in the every-day-ness of our lives. Is not this because we fail to perceive in the making of our joys all that goes into the process? This is long and is made up of much we never recognize at all, and much

we have grown to look at as matter of course. The analysis of a full-fledged joy would be full of surprises if we only stopped long enough in our bustling lives to make it. We reckon joy as something coming to us from a source outside ourselves, whereas it is the result of a God-given power in our own hearts which enables us to recognize happiness in passing, and best of all to trace accurately the vital connection between all that comes to us and that gracious, constant Hand that guides our lives to the smallest detail.

And what has all this to do with missionary meetings? Little for those who never attend them, much for those who habitually do. Many of our members regard these meetings merely as items naturally on the church calendar, which any self-respecting community would of course have; but they could not even tell the day the society, to which they mechanically contribute when properly approached, meets, much less what the society manages to do with the funds thus collected.

If such members could only have a vision of all that has been necessary through long ages to the making of a woman's missionary society, and then consider what would be left worth living for in this world alone were all that has led up to this possibility suddenly eliminated, how different all would appear. Here then are joys a great many women have failed utterly to recognize.

And how do the rest of us take our missionary work? Do we go to our meetings because we suppose we have to, and do we pay our dues because some long-suffering collector keeps on coming until we simply can not put the matter off any longer? Do we make our offerings of what is left over or happens to be in our purses? Do we take part in a meeting because we have not the face to refuse again? If we follow this course, our missionary joy is a minus quantity, and we have a lack or an imperfection in our souls that will one day deeply grieve us. No, it is as we take our full share of the work, as we reach out to touch other lives with a helpful hand, as we are faithful witnesses for our Master, as we make it our business to know the results accomplished, and then realize that as we have done what we could we are individually a part of those results that we experience in our souls that joy the world knows not of and cannot take away.

Think of what you give of time, thought or means and then follow your service in the work being done and to be done. Box your compass, and see ignorance and superstition giving place to right knowledge; sloth and consequent poverty supplanted by useful citizenship; dwarfed and clouded intellect coming into its own; savage hearts and lives, under the softening rays of the Sun of Righteousness, showing the marks of true manhood and womanhood; sickness and suffering giving way to soundness of body—in a word, darkness changing to light; and best of all, think of the procession of those brought thus into the full knowledge of the saving love of Jesus Christ, going forth to touch other lives with the power given them by the Holy Spirit, and as you see the circle of your influence thus widening on and on even into eternity itself, tell me, could a greater joy be yours?

And could we know this joy without being inspired to greater and richer service? Joys and inspirations are so interrelated that each is both cause and effect. As we learn at our meetings and through our literature what God through us has wrought and as we face our privileges and our opportunities in all lands, we meet the test of all that is behind us. Our future will tell us whether our joys are fadeless, whether the inspirations growing out of them are for a moment only or abiding.

But as we go forward in our work, we will not forget the two vital connections that must be made. With the one hand we must lay hold of another, the hand of One mighty to save, and so surely as we have made this connection, so surely will we reach out the other hand to help bring the world to Christ. Only as we are conscious of that power communicated

to us through the firm grasp and all that it signifies, dare we face our work. The world! All nations! That is our field, teaching the commandments we have received, and lo! He is with us always, even until the end of the world!

PLAINFIELD, N. J.

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS

From Philadelphia

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Regular meetings of the Society discontinued until September 19th.

TOPICS FOR PRAYER: *Outlook for the Coming Year; Book Reviews.*

RECEIPTS for the quarter ending June 15th show a gratifying increase of some $12,000 over the first quarter of last year. While some of this increase is due to legacies, the larger part of it is from the regular contributions of our societies.

WE had the double pleasure of adopting four new missionaries and of having three of them present at the June Directors' meeting. Miss Jean Stoner to go to S. Brazil; Deaconess Iva M. Fish to N. India; Miss Bertha L. Dinkelacker, R. N., to China, and Miss Effie I. Dinkelacker, G. N., to China. Unfortunately Miss Stoner could not be with us. Mrs. J. L. Hooper to go to Manila, P. I., and Miss Isabella Day. Two of our previously adopted missionaries were with us also. A social luncheon afterwards gave an opportunity to become better acquainted.

MRS. J. W. COCHRAN, better known as Mrs. Dwight Potter, has been elected with enthusiasm a member of our Board of Directors. Her coming to Philadelphia as the wife of the Secretary of the Board of Education made this acquisition possible and we lost no time in presenting our claim, which was as promptly responded to.

MRS. W. J. DRUMMOND of Nanking is in Easton, Pa., regaining strength after a most serious operation on her eyes. To have passed successfully through such a dreaded ordeal is cause for deep gratitude.

MISS ANNA G. REED, one of our promising young missionaries, sent out under the China Fund, died in Peking, May 8th, after three years of devoted service. We truly mourn the loss of this enthusiastic young missionary who gave herself so unreservedly to the work.

WE had the great pleasure of having the new President of the Northwest Board, Mrs. O. R. Williamson, with us at one of the executive meetings.

THE society has sustained a real loss in the resignation of Miss Gill, who for the past four years has been assistant to our treasurer. The death of Miss Gill's sister has laid imperative home duties upon her, and we must now lose from work her efficient help, her deep interest, and her winning personality.

THE Foreign Missionary Programs, Series V, now ready, are full of information and helpful suggestions with lists of leaflets for each month, magazines and papers and valuable publications.

PACKAGES of twelve post cards on South America for use with the new textbook, twelve cents a package, will be most helpful in the study classes, giving a visual idea of the people and their homes.

NEW LEAFLETS: *Land of Promise, South America* (Bishop Stuntz); *Yucatan, a New Responsibility; A Land of Sorrow, Persia; Liu Kwang Chao; On Being a Delegate; Foreign Missionary Programs,* Series V, each 3 cts., 30 cts. per doz.; *Travelogue, Chile; The Light Bearer,* revised, each 5 cts. *Hand Book,* revised, 6 cts. Packages of twelve post cards on South America, 12 cts.; *An African Heroine,* 1 ct., 10 cts. per doz.

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From Chicago

Meetings at Room 48, 509 South Wabash Ave., every Friday at 10 A. M. Visitors welcome.

To make our proportion of advance in subscriptions to WOMAN'S WORK, the following apportionment to States has been made for the Board of the Northwest:

Colorado,	453	Montana,	86
Illinois,	1,911	Nebraska,	459
Indiana,	732	N. Dakota,	100
Iowa,	1,115	S. Dakota	158
Michigan,	774	Wisconsin,	226
Minnesota,	876	Wyoming,	21

Let's have our figures so big next year that we shall not be ashamed to see them in print! Our secretaries of literature have done a good work, but these figures look pretty small for whole States, and we still have room to improve. You will find some changes in the magazine this year if you keep watching.

"LEST we forget" what privileges bless Room 48, the chairman of the Hospitality Committee stated one Friday morning that during the year sixty-five missionaries had spoken here. Among those who can not claim that highest of titles are many faithful leaders whose words inspire new courage and zeal.

REPORTS from Mrs. Hardin, chairman of our Candidate Committee, show that this year, 1915–16, gave us our largest number of candidates in the history of the Board. I think I am right in saying that the number is above thirty-five, all exceptionally fine young women. That calls for more consecrated service from *us*, that we may be able to stand back of them and support them. Missionaries who give their lives should not be obliged to use their strength in thinking out and planning the small economies made necessary by inadequate equipment. They should be so well supported that our Master may expect the best of them, and *all* their time for direct service.

THE "Silver Series" of leaflets, presenting in very brief form the life and services of those of our Northwest Board missionaries who have been on the field twenty-five years or more, is mounting up in numbers. For India we have ready Miss Pratt, Mrs. Kelso, Mrs. Lucas and Miss Given, and for Siam, Mrs. Cooper, Mrs. McKean and Mrs. Hugh Taylor. Others will probably be ready by the time this reaches you.

FOR those who are traveling in the Far East, the *Tourist Directory* of Christian work of the chief cities of the Far East, India and Egypt, gives locations of church services in English and also of the foreign mission work of the various Christian churches.

REPORTS from a few of the Summer Conferences will appear in next month's number.

FRIDAY mornings in June brought missionaries from South America, India and China; and representatives of States as far apart as Idaho and Iowa, Kansas and Indiana. Miss Lillian Robertson, president of the United Presbyterian Woman's Board of Missions, and Mrs. Anderson, corresponding secretary of that body, were pleasant reminders of the disappearing of dividing lines.

AMONG the most welcome questions received at Room 48 are such as this: "We are planning a summer Christmas tree and will be glad to receive suggestions." Practical work lists from the missionaries are gladly sent upon request.

FOR AUGUST BOOK REVIEW: *Forty-fifth Annual Report*, 10 cts.; *The Living Christ for Latin America*, cloth 55 cts., paper 35 cts.; *Makers of South America*, cloth 60 cts., paper 40 cts.; *The Land of the Golden Man*, 25 cts.; *South American Neighbors*, cloth 60 cts., paper 40 cts.

NEW LEAFLETS: *Overheard in Japan* (a play); *Visiting a Missionary*, each 5 cts.; *An African Heroine*, 1 ct.; *A Daughter of New China*, 3 cts.

From New York

Meetings discontinued until October 4th. Room 818 will be open during office hours every week-day except Saturday afternoons.

WE were glad to meet and welcome at the June Conference many of our newly appointed missionaries. They are: Miss Ruth Aiken, Africa; Mrs. L. Haehl Dolive, Miss Eva M. Brownlee, Miss Ethelwyn B. Colson, China; Miss Gladys Drummond, Japan; Miss Theodosia D. Jessup, Miss Margaret Doolittle, Syria.

WE also welcome four associate missionaries who have already been for some years working in India: Miss Hilda M. Ashby, Miss Agnes H. Hill, Miss Edith H. May, Miss Adeline W. Owen.

WITH sorrow we record the passing, on June 25th, at her loved summer home on Lake George, of Mrs. Charles Otis Kimball, a Foreign Secretary of our Board since 1894. Mrs. Kimball was not only a faithful correspondent, she loved her missionaries and showed this in ceaseless acts of kindness to them both at their posts and when at home on furlough. As a member of the Hospitality Committee, she had special opportunities, of which she gladly availed herself, for the kind of work so dear to her heart. As secretary for Syria and Mexico her sympathies were greatly stirred for those "at the front" in these troublous times and, in spite of sickness in her home and her own failing health, she has still kept in as close touch with her missionaries as circumstances permitted. We shall miss her sorely and we realize how in far-away Mexico and Syria the loss of her cheering and helpful letters will leave a void in many hearts. Our sympathies go out to them as well as to those in her home circle. "Her works do follow her." *A. M. D*

FOR those of our auxiliaries who continue their meetings during the summer a little card has been prepared with suggestions for programs. These cards may be obtained at Headquarters. The summer offering is specially emphasized. We want everyone to feel a personal interest by being a shareholder in the new hospital at Yi-hsien, China.

IN January of this year the hospital at Dumaguete, P. I., for which we gave our summer offering in 1914, was completed. Mrs. Langheim writes: "I just wish you could see our beautiful new building. We are very proud of it and with the added room and convenience are better equipped to do the medical work. I may have written you how we were fortunate in having friends help us so that the hospital was the first of the buildings of the general extension plan for Silliman. New York Women's Board gave $2,000. The Assembly of the Philippines gave about the same amount, and the rest, $10,000, was given on the field by Filipino friends and others. We have two of the Iloilo Hospital graduates at present but shall need more help later." It is most gratifying that those who were in touch with the work gave so large a part of the required amount, and we rejoice that Dr. Langheim has the equipment his influence and ability deserve

THE ANNUAL REPORT of the Women's Board has been mailed to presbyterial officers. Do not file it away for reference until you have become acquainted with its contents and compared your work with that of other societies. Study especially all that refers to your branch of the work and look for suggestions as to your future efforts. This report is not dull, but a mine of information for your enrichment.

LEAFLETS FOR AUGUST: *Retrospect and Prophecy*, free; *Laying Foundations*, 1 ct.; *The Woman Who Didn't and Those Who Did; Doing What You Can't*, each 2 cts.; *Our Opportunity*, Bible study, 5 cts.

NEW: *Our Heritage*, a Missionary Pageant, 15 cts.; *Out of the Dark into the Light*, 2 cts.

From St. Louis

Room 707, 816 Olive St. Meetings first and third Tuesdays of each month at 10.30 A. M. Send to this address for missionary literature.

IT was a pleasure to have with us at a June meeting Miss Grace B. Davis, and to hear her tell of her work with Korean women in Chong Ju; of the beautiful compensation in it because of their eagerness to know the Gospel meaning and the readiness with which they put it into practice. She will return in August and will meet with a warm welcome. "You will come back to us," they said, "and be with us when Jesus comes."

IT was a relief to close our ears for a brief moment to the din of "preparedness,"all about us, to turn away from the cloud still hanging heavy and black over Christian lands, and look away through "the windows opening toward" the Farther East and see what God is doing there through His Word, and His faithful missionaries.

MISS JANE THOMPSON, W. India, Missouri's Young People's missionary, passed with high honor the language examination in the two years' study and was asked to take a third year's higher course. This is rather unusual and our young people are delighted with the report.

MANY of our young people are preparing for Hollister. The program is most attractive.

SOME of our Sunday-school children are beginning preparations for the summer Christmas. Just to illustrate: the children of Lafayette Park Church School will celebrate soon after the Fourth. They have the tree already selected in a spacious yard nearby. They will bring such gifts as little ones love, and after interesting exercises, stories, songs, etc., a Santa Claus will lead the little band, and after surrounding the tree, they pause, while everything is fastened to limb and branch. The

tree becomes in a way transfigured with its load, and one school in India, where last year the "Christmas" was a peanut and picture card apiece, will be wild with joy next Christmas. We hope for many such celebrations throughout America.

Our new textbook, *The Living Christ for Latin America*, will be taught by Mr. Carter Millikin at Hollister. Mrs. Dubbs will lead a women's class on methods in missionary work.

We have heard with grief of the home-going of our well beloved missionary, Mrs. Annie Adams Baird, at Pyeng Yang, Chosen. And yet through our tears we could say it was good of God to call her from unspeakable pain to exquisite joy. We love those other Korean women because she loved them so and they so tenderly loved her, and crowned her labors with thanksgiving, and we praise God for her twenty-five beautiful years of service there.

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From San Francisco

920 Sacramento St. Meetings at 10.30 and 1.30 the first Monday of each month. Executive Committee every third Monday. Prayer service first and third Monday from 12 till 12.30.

In the absence of Mrs. Pinney, Mrs. J. G. Chown, vice-president, presided at our June meeting.

The ministers were at home again and resumed their morning session in the executive room. The Auditorium and dining room were well filled, and all seemed glad that vacation time was over. Many visitors were present and they are always welcome. Dr. Cleland B. McAfee, from Chicago, was present, and addressed both meetings with earnest, spiritual messages.

The Annual Reports were at hand, and it is quite exhilarating to read them, for it makes one feel that everybody had been hard at work and had been doing their very best.

Miss Isabel Laughlin flies through the country among the college girls and she has much to tell. Mrs. E. F. Hall, student secretary, overlooks that department and has much to report.

Miss Belle Garrette has an office just off from the Auditorium, where she is in charge much of the time, gathering all the literature under her watchful eye and sending out packages to all who ask for them. Her address is 920 Sacramento Street, San Francisco.

We are glad to report our privilege of supporting sixty-three missionaries who go out under our Occidental Board; besides one hundred Chinese girls receive personal care in the Mission Home and in the Tooker Memorial Home in Oakland.

Miss Cameron related the story of her trip to Baker City, Oregon, taking with her a choice Chinese girl from the Home, to present her in marriage to a Chinese M. D. Preparation had been made for a fine church wedding. It was a very happy occasion.

It is not a surprise that Yuan Shih Kai, President of the Chinese Government, has died. To govern peaceably that immense nation with its 400,000,000 of people, to bring them in harmony with Christian ideas, seemed impossible. S. M. Zwemer, a world-wide student of conditions, gives a hopeful statement of the effort to bring about the fulfillment of the promise made in Isaiah 49:12: "Many shall be gathered into Christ's kingdom, some from the north, some from the west, and these from the land of China," which the word Sinim is said to mean.

The Post Office people carry the *Gospel Mail* to every post office in that great Empire, every number of which puts them in communication with the special missionary in Shanghai to whom many messages of soul-hunger are revealed. Dr. Zwemer says in *The Christian Herald* that as in the early days of Christianity, the old Roman roads stretching in all directions made a way for the spread of the Gospel, so in our day it has proved that God can use the ever-increasing postal system as a means of carrying the good news of salvation to those who never yet had the opportunity of believing it: "For how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?" To cover the Empire with the personal effort of our missionaries has seemed to be an impossibility.

Mrs. William Wallace tells of a preacher who is the Moody of Mexico. Dr. Arcadio Morales, the pastor of a church in the City of Mexico, was converted in his youth by simply reading the Bible, "his God book," as he calls it. For seven years he read it alone before he heard a sermon or knew anything about an evangelistic church For years he has carried the message to the worst of criminals.

From Portland, Oregon

Executive meeting from 10 to 11 A. M. on first and third Tuesdays of each month, and open meeting from 11 A.M. to 12 M. following each executive meeting, in First Church. Literature to be obtained from Miss Abby S. Lamberson, 454 Alder St., Portland.

Our Board invites missionaries about to pass through our territory, to send due notice to Mrs. F. I. Fuller, 503 Spring Street, Portland.

This item of interesting information comes in a recent letter from Dr. Leonard: "Duow Hospital is named for a Miss Duow, a wealthy lady, who previous to the siege had a self-supporting mission in Peking. She not only supported her own work, but was liberal with other missions as well. Before I came to Peking she gave one thousand dollars gold to our Woman's Hospital and similar sums to other work. Her mission in common with others was destroyed in 1900. She was too advanced in years to undertake re-establishment, so retired from the field and turned her property in Peking over to our mission. She died a few years ago. She was a very strong character, a woman of marked culture and refinement, and strong, deep Christian life and principle. Because of her many kindnesses to our mission this hospital was named for her."

We wish to reiterate the following paragraph from the *Bulletin* sent out by our Board last April: "Please bear in mind that your woman's society is specifically responsible for pushing missions among young people's organizations (C. E. and others); for establishing and fostering Westminster Guild Chapters and Circles to take care of the girls and younger women; for encouraging the organization of bands among the children, and for the establishment of mission study classes in local societies. Recent visits to many presbyterial societies have shown board officers that some societies feel that their responsibility begins and ends with having monthly meetings and raising a certain amount of money. This is but the foundation of the work we are trying to do. Will not each society establish for itself a standard of excellence to be striven for which will include all these branches, young people, children and mission study and so enlarge and

strengthen the sphere of missionary activity? It is your responsibility. Will you not meet it?"

SUMMER is a good time in some places to have "Light Bearers'" (children's) Bands. There is now in the depository the new book for children, *Soldiers of Peace*, including *Guide* for its use. Price, paper 25 cents, boards 50 cents, postage 5 cents. Helps for this study are a set of ten paper dolls, representing children of the war, 25 cents, with postage 5 cents; set of 96 flags of nations, 25 cents, postage 5 cents.; Interesting puzzle, *How to Make Peace Out of War*, price 15 cents, postage 2 cents. There is also the fascinating new book for children on South America, *The Land of the Golden Man*, price, postpaid, 25 cents, with work books and other helps the children will like, so they say.

ONE of our presbyterial presidents is getting women to pledge to read one or more of the study books during the summer, or, better, to form reading circles to meet once a week where they can take their sewing and have one read a chapter from the book each time. An excellent book for any who did not study it last year is *The King's Highway*, by Helen Barrett Montgomery. Price, paper 30 cents, cloth 50 cents, postage 7 cents. The new textbook for the year is *The Living Christ for Latin America* by our missionary in Chile, Rev. J. H. McLean. Price, postpaid, paper 35 cts., cloth 55 cts. This last will be the popular study book for Presbyterian men, women and young people the coming year on account of our new and closer relations with South America.

RECEIPTS TO JUNE 15, 1916

By totals from Presbyterial Societies

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church

ATHENS,	$87.00	KITTANNING,	$345.10	PITTSBURGH,	$3,417.67	WELLSBORO,	$16.00
BALTIMORE,	2,189.63	LACKAWANNA,	1,053.62	PORTSMOUTH,	132.50	WEST JERSEY,	296.40
BELL,	14.75	LEHIGH,	288.15	REDSTONE,	374.95	WESTMINSTER,	257.07
BLAIRSVILLE,	393.00	LIMA,	10.00	ST. CLAIRSVILLE,	720.53	WEST TENNESSEE,	85.50
BUTLER,	306.00	MAHONING,	10.00	SHENANGO,	169.75	WHEELING,	200.35
CHATTANOOGA,	43.30	MARION,	370.44	STEUBENVILLE,	278.25	WOOSTER,	4.00
CHESTER,	1,102.41	MAUMEE,	111.75	UNION,	6.17	ZANESVILLE,	234.60
CINCINNATI,	870.40	MONMOUTH,	507.25	WASHINGTON CITY,	2,181.31	Miscellaneous,	6,296.38
CLARION,	885.16	NASHVILLE,	155.00	WASHINGTON, PA.,	975.25		
COLUMBUS,	463.00	NEW BRUNSWICK,	496.50				

Receipts from May 15th to June 15th,	$35,725.44
Total receipts since March 15th, 1916	40,385.33
Special Gifts to Missionaries,	259.60
Persia Relief,	167.90
Syria Relief,	11.04

(Miss) SARAH W. CATTELL, *Treas.*,
501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest

ABERDEEN,	$199.00	FT. DODGE,	$86.65	MONROE,	$23.50	ROCK RIVER,	$319.65
ALTON,	209.50	FT. WAYNE,	440.51	MOUSE RIVER,	12.50	RUSHVILLE,	180.00
BLOOMINGTON,	606.20	FREEPORT,	199.90	MUNCIE,	249.45	ST. CLOUD,	116.25
BOX BUTTE,	22.26	GRAND RAPIDS,	653.66	NEBRASKA CITY,	315.70	ST. PAUL,	587.00
CAIRO,	5.00	GUNNISON,	71.00	NEW ALBANY,	118.55	SHERIDAN,	27.50
CEDAR RAPIDS,	397.45	HASTINGS,	85.65	NIOBRARA,	64.58	SIOUX CITY,	289.25
CENTRAL DAKOTA,	100.00	HELENA,	12.00	OAKES,	43.50	SPRINGFIELD,	460.50
CHEYENNE,	14.00	INDIANA,	389.20	OMAHA,	317.56	WATERLOO,	279.00
CHICAGO,	504.75	INDIANAPOLIS,	654.83	OTTAWA,	83.00	WHITEWATER,	365.40
CORNING,	312.75	IOWA,	212.30	PEMBINA,	38.50	WINNEBAGO,	74.07
COUNCIL BLUFFS	131.00	IOWA CITY,	263.60	PETOSKEY,	21.00	WINONA,	112.86
CRAWFORDSVILLE,	282.65	KALAMAZOO,	16.20	PUEBLO,	547.00	Miscellaneous,	12.35
DENVER,	516.00	LAKE SUPERIOR,	72.40	RED RIVER,	80.80		
DES MOINES,	378.21	LANSING,	154.00				
DETROIT,	242.00	LOGANSPORT,	202.92				
DUBUQUE,	198.00	MANKATO,	146.50				
DULUTH,	338.00	MILWAUKEE,	249.10				
FARGO,	23.84	MINNEAPOLIS,	814.56				

Total for month,	$13,944.66
Total receipts from March 16th, 1916,	$22,771.67

Mrs. THOS. E. D. BRADLEY, *Treas.*,
Room 48, 509 So. Wabash Ave., Chicago.

Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church

ALBANY,	$498.25	NEWARK,	$415.00	Receipts from May 16th to June 15th,		
BINGHAMTON,	92.00	NEWBURYPORT,	15.00	Regular,	$8,293.54	
BOSTON,	88.00	NEW YORK,	4,031.78	War Emergency,	366.00	$8,659.54
BROOKLYN,	48.00	NORTH RIVER,	478.00			
BUFFALO,	177.50	PROVIDENCE,	35.00	Total since March 15th,		
CAYUGA,	34.00	ST. LAWRENCE,	101.34	Regular,	$18,480.18	
CHAMPLAIN,	76.00	UTICA,	324.00	Deficit Fund,	42.00	
EBENEZER,	17.00	WESTCHESTER,	166.00	War Emergency,	366.00	$18,888.18
GENEVA,	188.05	Miscellaneous,	300.00			
HUDSON,	74.00	Legacy,	500.00			
MORRIS & ORANGE,	454.00	Interest,	427.62			
NASSAU,	119.00					

(Mrs. Joshua A.) MARY B. HATFIELD, *Treas.*,
Room 818, 156 Fifth Ave., New York.

Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest

ABILENE,	$21.07	HOBART,	$30.90	OZARK,	$28.95	ST. LOUIS,	$1,991.85
ARKANSAS,	53.60	HOUSTON,	46.45	PARIS,	51.00	TOPEKA,	376.50
AMARILLO,	109.65	IRON MT.,	53.27	PECOS VALLEY,	7.00	TULSA,	125.00
AUSTIN,	66.75	JEFFERSON,	15.75	SANTA FE,	52.00	WACO,	12.50
BROWNWOOD,	41.00	JONESBORO,	10.00	SEDALIA,	152.75	WICHITA,	259.13
CARTHAGE,	201.00	KANSAS CITY,	240.80	SOLOMON,	273.50	Miscellaneous,	37.05
CIMARRON,	53.25	KIRKSVILLE,	102.10	ST. JOSEPH,	180.78		
DALLAS,	105.58	LARNED,	194.00				
EL RENO,	18.00	MCALESTER,	48.08				
EMPORIA,	178.00	MCGEE,	127.00				
FORT SMITH,	93.25	MUSKOGEE,	46.00				
FORT WORTH,	270.45	NEOSHO,	337.00				
HIGHLAND,	203.00	OSBORNE,	63.50				

Total for month,	$6,277.46
Total to date,	6,901.70
Relief Fund for month,	57.46
Relief Fund to date,	63.46

MRS. WM. BURG, *Treas.*

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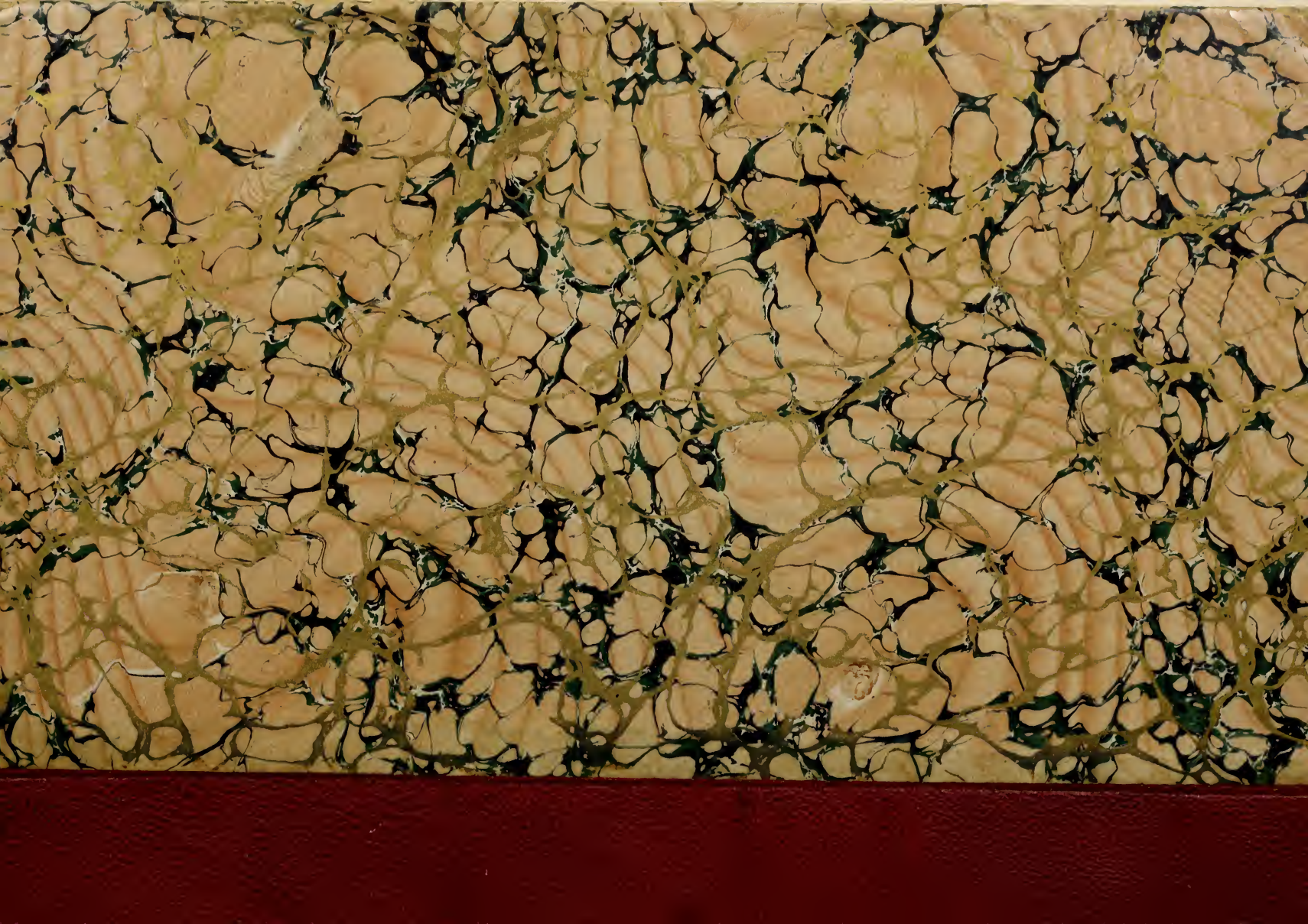
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